GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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AVAILABILITY OF MEDICINES/ DRUGS.
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether drugs/medicines for AIDS and cancer are not easily available in the market; and

(b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to make these drugs easily available in the market?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) & (b): The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) monitors the shortage and availabiHty of medicines based on the monthly reports received from State Drugs Controllers, NGOs and Public Complaints etc. In the recent past, NPPA has not received any report of acute shortage of medicines for AIDS and Cancer from any of the State Drugs Controllers and other sources.